HO-282 Limestone Valley Farm Stone Tenant House Clarksville Private

Circa 1828

The Limestone Valley Farm Stone Tenant House faces east on the west side of Shephards Lane, one of the oldest roads in Howard County, adjoining Historic Walnut Grove.

It is a three bay wide, one room deep, two story high, gabled roof (running north-south) stone building with brick chimneys inset into its north and south walls. It features fine stone work as exemplified in its flat stone lintels, projecting stone sills and quoining.

A central east entrance is flanked by rectangular, double-hung windows, holding six-over-six lights. Above rest proportionally scaled, vertically aligned, three-over-three light windows. North lies a similar stone smokehouse-dairy building.

The property was known as "Hayland Farms" when owned by John O'Donnell (1828-1848) and by William Clark (1848-1895). Since that time it has been owned by the William Parlett and R. Frank Warfield families.

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	Clarksville vicinity of			state, zip code Md. 21029		
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CONDITION

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__MOVED DATE____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Limestone Valley Farm is located on the west side of Shephard's Lane 3/10 of a mile from Route 108.

The old stone tenant house on this farm is a three bay wide, one room deep, two story high, gabled roof (running north-south) stone structure with brick chimney set into its north wall. The central rectangular door faces east and is surmounted by a flat stone lintel and flanked by rectangular, double hung windows with six-over-six lights, decorated with flat stone lintels and projecting stone sills. Three horizontally rectangular three-over-three light windows rest above (the central window is closed, holding six lights.)

The west elevation holds two first and second floor windows similar to those described which are vertically aligned. The central bay holds a six-over-six light staircase window. Both the east and west elevations feature a simple stone cornice along the roof line. The north and south walls hold no apertures but an entrance east of an exterior square brick chimney which leads into a two bay wide, one bay deep, one story high, gabled roof (running north-south), white frame addition built on a cinder block foundation along the south wall of the original house whose own south wall in turn holds a gabled roof screened in porch approached by 5 open wooden steps with railing.

North of this residence is a similar stone building which has had multiple uses. It is a three bay wide, one room deep, one story high, gabled roof (running north-south) stone building with central brick chimney and stone foundation which serves on the north as an old dairy and on the south once served as an ice house. The first floor serves on the north as a smoke house and on the south as a tack room, originally used as living quarters for help with loft above. The rectangular entrance door is located in the south bay of the east wall. It is surmounted by a flat stone lintel and approached by three stone steps. Two double-hung, rectangular windows, holding six-over-six lights punctuate the east wall just north of the entrance. They are decorated with flat stone lintels and projecting stone sills.

The south wall holds a central six light attic window and a batton wood basement door leading into the old ice house.

A wide central door with five stone steps is placed on the north wall, while entrance steps on the east wall lead down to the dairy which has a brick floor.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Limestone Valley Farm is significant historically, architecturally and in the field of agriculture.

Historically it was known as "Hayland Farm", resurveyed for John O'Donnell and patented to him by the State of Maryland on 20 August, 1828 and part of the land conveyed to John O'Donnell by James Hood of John and Nicholas Meriweather by deed, dated 27 September, 1825 (WS6 11-438 Ann Arundel County) comprising 228 acres more or less.

On December 6, 1848 John O'Donnell sold Hayland Farm to William Clark who paid \$4,805,81 for the 219 acre farm adjoining Walnut Grove. One of the boundary stones for Hayland Farm, is marked TWHBH 1802 standing in or near the north by west line of Doughoregan. Another stone on the present farm boundary bears the initials JTRR Carroll Surveyor 6th Oct. 1894 - 19 Jan. 1955.

Limestone Valley Farm not only comprises the early 219 acre tract of "Hayland Farm" but another 105 ½ acre adjoining tract, a part of "White Wine and Claret". This latter tract of land was acquired by William Clark on March 27, 1836, twelve years before he acquired "Hayland Farm" from his neighbor, Mr. O'Donnell. The stone tenant house and stone smoke house-dairy today were probably constructed circa 1828 by Mr. O'Donnell.

William Clark owned "Hayland Farm" until Jan. 22, 1895 when it was sold to William Parlett for \$7,500 (62-552). William Parlett added acreage to the two parcels he acquired from the Trustees of William Clark's 324 acre estate. On 19 February, 1896 he acquired some eleven acres from Edwin Warfield and on April 4, 1905 some 77 acres from Frances Willard.

In 1915 William Parlett's estate passed to his wife Annie and their five children; William E, Susie P. Warfield, Beulah, Elinor Parlett Ridout, Emily Parlett Moore and Emily Moore. It was at this time that the lovely frame farmhouse standing on a high hill east of the stone buildings, was constructed.

On February 18, 1964 the farm was acquired by R. Frank and Barbara Warfield, comprising some 342 acres of Howard County's finest and CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

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most beautiful farm land, adjoining historic Walnut Grove on the west side of Shephard's Lane, one of Howard County's oldest roads.

The stone houses of Limestone Valley Farm are architecturally noteworthy in addition to being historically interesting. North of the present building complex, quarries are noted on the 1860 Martenet Map. The stone for those buildings was quarried from the farm. The buildings feature fine stonework in their wide, flat, stone lintels, fine quoining and projecting stone sills.

Fenestration is proportionally scaled and its east elevation symmetrical - a central door is flanked by single first floor windows, with three almost square second floor windows vertically aligned to them. A one story high, frame south wing in no way detracts from the original stone building whose east, north and west elevations remain basically unchanged except for the east entrance which may have, at one time, have held a three or four light transom over the door.

As for the smoke-house-dairy, this is a charming building which was at one time filled with activity, housing servants in its loft, smoking hams, and in the north foundation, holding a dairy, a multiuse structure which now serves for storage.

Agriculturally it is noteworthy as one of Howard County's oldest continuing farms, adjoining historic Walnut Grove and within Howard County's finest farmland.

Significant historically, architecturally and in the area of agriculture, Limestone Valley Farms is one of Howard County's finest historic sites.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Howard County Land Records Interview with Mrs. Barbara Warfield, April, 1978

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 342 Acres

Please see Attachment 1, Tax Map 28

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Please see Howard County Records Liber 414, folio 381

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Howard

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Cleora Barnes Thompson, Archivist

ORGANIZATION

Office of Planning & Zoning-Comprehensive Planning Section 465-5000 x257

STREET & NUMBER

3450 Court House Drive

CITY OR TOWN

Ellicott City

STATE

DATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

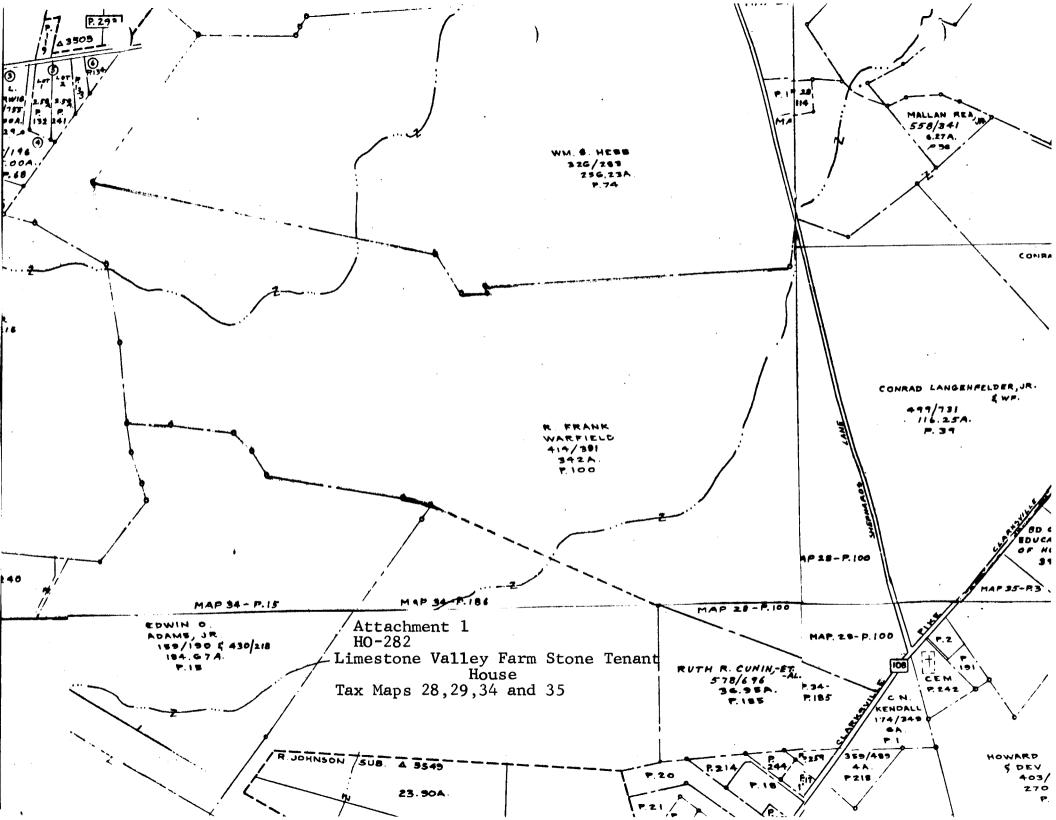
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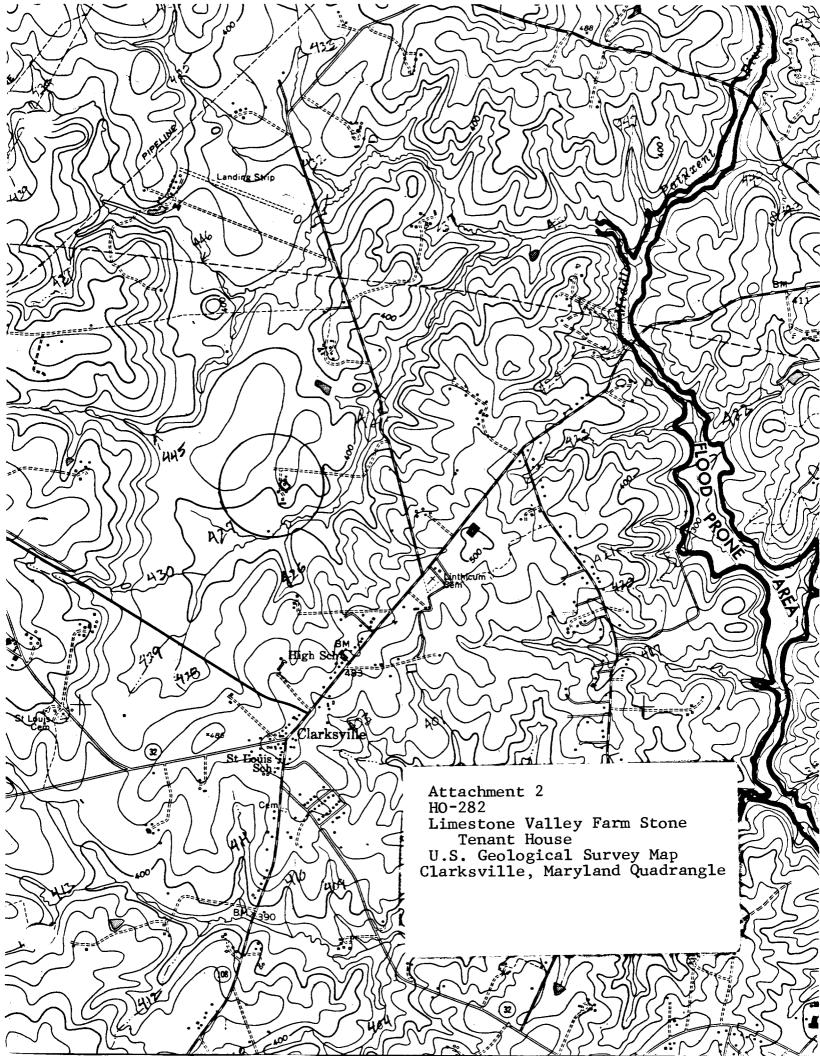
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